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May 14, 1947

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson
23 Kempshall Place
Elizabeth, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Dr. Hazen and I are just back from a visit to the Chief of Chaplains Office where we submitted the five names chosen as our representatives for the tour of observation. These names are, in addition to your own:

Dr. G. Pitt Beers
Bishop Fred P. Corson
Bishop William J. Walls

Bishop Flint for health reasons declined, saying that he did not feel able for so strenuous a trip. Bishop Clippinger declined on the basis of the pressure of work which he could not delegate. Bishop Walls is of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. His name was submitted after reconsideration of the question of a Negro representative. The Negroes have been pressing for recognition. Walls was chosen by 11 denominations with a membership of 7,000,000. The War Department is very much relieved to have us include the name of a Negro, saying that it would free them from some embarrassing pressure.

Bishop Walls must have a sense of humor for he said, "If you want a bit of color in the party, probably I can furnish it." Dr. Jernagin says he will make a delightful traveling companion.

We invited Bishop Dun, but he tells us it is impossible for him to go. We are now attempting to secure Bishop Hart.

The Catholics are sending McEntegart, Griffiths, and Quinn. All of these are men of considerable prominence and have had a relationship to the military. The Jews have chosen Rabbi Heller, I think of Cincinnati. Carpenter has been picked to represent the Southern Baptists.

Sincerely yours,

T. A. Rymer
Director

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON

25 August 1947

Dear Stew:

This acknowledges your letter of the 22nd. I was sorry that I was not in town that Sunday because I was looking forward to hearing ~~from~~ you. However, Jo, (my wife) was up in Rhode Island and I joined her over the week-end.

I have asked Captain Berry to deal with the questions you raised in your letter and I hope we will be able to give you all the information you need.

I am glad the Commission on Chaplains is to have a permanent home in Washington. It should facilitate business. If I am in town on the 29th of October, I shall be very glad indeed to be with you at lunch.

Sincerely yours,

Jim

James Forrestal

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson
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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON

22 September 1947

Dear Stew:

Thanks for your message of congratulations. I will need both your good wishes and your prayers.

Sincerely yours,

James Forrestal

James Forrestal

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October 16, 1947

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson
23 Kempshal Place
Elizabeth, N. J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Dr. Anderson informed me that you were concerned in identifying the Dr. Livingston. It is difficult to be positive in regard to such a matter with so little information at hand.

If you have access to The Dictionary of American Biography, it might be well to check the second Robert R. Livingston(1746-1813) listed there. Since there were a number of Livingstons who played an important role in the affairs of the colonies, you may have to rely on a process of elimination.

Are there any other references to him in the Hunter Ms. that might aid in identifying him? I found no reference to any minister in New York in 1776 by the name of Livingston. So I am inclined to think that it is the Robert R. Livingston to which I referred above. I have no other positive leads to suggest.

I hope that you are progressing in a satisfactory manner in the completion of your work on the Hunter manuscript. I shall be interested in seeing it.

Sincerely yours,

Guy

Guy F. Klett

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December 16, 1947

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Last week, I was delighted to receive the copy of Fithian's from you. I have been reading it little by little and have just finished through his first journey into our section. Andrew Hunter's home, I find from the foot-notes, was between here and Martinsburg. It is now on the outskirts of Mbg. and you passed by it on Route #11. The Stephensburg of his visit was my wife's home community, she was born within sight and when we were married was living there. While I was in Virginia I was pastor of the Cedar Creek church.

His mission through Pennsylvania, I had not known about. It was of interest as he traveled thru, but did not preach, in the section that my maternal grandmother was from. I remember as a boy visiting my great-grandmother in Path Valley - at Dry Run - though I have not been in the section around his Sunbury and Huntingdon.

I am sending you a copy of Dr. Woodworth's recently published history of Winchester Presbytery. I realize that much of it will not be of interest, and in briefly looking over it find nothing about the early men whom you are interested in - yet I hope that it will be of some pleasure and profit to you.

With all good wishes of the Christmas season to you and Mrs. Robinson from both of us.

Julian